

WASHINGTON, SUNDAY, MAY 14, 1905.

GARLAND STAHL, HE LEADS THE NATIONALS

FATAL MISPLAYS  
GAVE CLEVELAND  
A CLOSE CONTEST

Error by Hill and Knoll Resulted in Winning Runs for Lajoie's Band---Bill Wolfe Pitched Fine Ball.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 13.—The evil #8 are upon us. The Philistines are four mids.

Society has lost the combination and thaps that accounts for Washington's to Cleveland today by 2 to 1.

The straight set-backs are almost unendurable after the big dolage against the eastern teams, but there is nothing to do but grin and bear it.

Today's game was an especially hard

one to drop. It was a case of errors beg bunched, and had it not been for the streak of hard luck the Nationals would have won by 1 to 0. The making of those errors was a sad blow, as they came from men who have heretofore been unusually well in the field.

Hill's Fumble.

The second was the fatal round. Hill began operations by making a rotten fumble of Bradley's bouncer, and the Cleveland third sicker was safe at first. He stole second and went to third on Turner's safe bunt. He got home on Carr's double which went through Hill without touching him. Turner went to third on Carr's double. Bemis fled to short and then came a display of a lack of brains upon the part of Carr, who was too much stunned by his success in making a hit to know what to do.

With Turner on third and Carr on

second, he infield played in close for Moore, so rapped a hot bouncer to Mallen. The Nationals' second baseman made a quick throw to Kittredge to cut Turner off at the plate. Turner saw he could not make it, and returned to third. In the meantime Carr had pedaled after full steam for third, and was there when Turner got back. That put Carr out of business.

Knoll Dropped Fly.

This looked pretty good at this time as two were out, and when Jackson low a long fly to Knoll a sigh of relief went up from the few Washingtoners, but there the ill luck buffed itself. Knoll, who has been doing some splendid all-around work, dropped the ball without any excuse except overconfidence, and Turner sped. Bay fouled out the night.

The game was over. After that Wolfe had a situation well in hand, and allowed by two more hits, but the damage had been done.

Washington's lonesome tally was

easily earned and should have won the game. In the sixth inning, with two out, Hill made a triple and scored on Stahl's scorching to right.

Besides the two errors which proved

so costly, there were two others equally as costly. In the seventh inning, Hill again fumbled on Jackson's easy fly in a most childish manner. Bay followed with a single, and the Nationals were equally, when Flick popped to second.

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Hill did other things than make errors. He gobbled up Bradley's slow one in the sixth round, and nailed him at first, by a beautiful underhand snap to Stahl. He was also the only man in the eighteen to get two hits.

Little Hill had a busy time in the seventh inning. Bay sent a grass cutter that went so fast that Hill did not have time to stoop or bring his feet together, and the ball went through to center for two bases.

Wolf Did Well.

Wolfe was in splendid form and was hit but five times. He did not appear to have any special speed, but Cleveland had a hard time getting the ball out of infield.

It was quick work by his infielders that shut off several additional hits. Moore was as effective as Wolfe, letting Washington down with four hits. His best trick was striking out men, and eight Nationals fanned. In the last inning, with Cassidy on second, and only one out, he whiffed both Hill and Knoll. He got a great reception from the 9,500 persons present, when Knoll made his third futile effort.

The value of scientific backing up was well illustrated in the last round. Huelsman hit a screamer to Bradley, who could only partially stop it. Turner had gone behind Bradley and when the ball came through he got it in time to kill Huelsman at first. Cassidy followed with a double to deep left and Huelsman would have scored, had it not been for the thoughtfulness of Turner.

Lajoie had another bad day at the bat. The best he could do in the first inning with Jackson on third and two out, was a cheap little fly to Stahl. He made a hit to center in the eighth inning, but did not get beyond second.

Ban Johnson and Frank De Haas Robinson, owner of the St. Louis National Club, saw the game this afternoon. Johnson was much pleased and said he thought the Nationals had a good fighting chance for second place.

The Score.

	R.	B.	O.	A.	E.
Cleveland	2	5	27	11	1
Washington	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson, cf.	0	1	0	0	0
Hill, 3b.	0	2	2	2	2
Stahl, 1b.	0	1	0	0	0
Huelsman, 1b.	0	1	0	0	0
Cassidy, 2b.	0	1	2	1	1
Knoll, rf.	0	0	3	5	0
Kittredge, c.	0	0	3	1	0
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